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INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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TAGS: PINS PFOR MOPS UG TZ

SUBJECT: AMIN TOURS BORDER AREA

1. UGANDA PRESS REPORTED THAT GENERAL AMIN MADE EXTENSIVE TOUR OF TANZANIA/ UGANDA BORDER AREA QTE FROM RWANDA TO LAKE VICTORIA UNQTE ON MARCH 26 AND DECLARED THAT QTE ENTIRE BORDER WAS PEACEFUL AND CALM UNQTE. AMIN REPORTEDLY TOLD PEOPLE OF UGANDA TO GO ABOUT NORMAL BUSINESS AND NOT BE ALARMED BY SITUATION. HE ALSO VISITED TIGER BATTALION OF SECOND INFANTRY BRIGADE WHICH WAS HOLDING QTE EXERCISES UNQTE FORTY MILES FROM BORDER. GENERAL LUNCHEDED WITH OFFICERS OF SIMBA BATTALION AT MBARARA.

2. LATER AMIN VISITED UGANDA/ ZAIRE BORDER AT ISHASHA, WHERE HE QTE INSPECTED THE CUSTOMS POST UNQTE. ACTING MINISTER OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS VISITED MUTUKULA AND ALONG WITH MAJOR MALIYAMUNGU, COMMANDER SECOND INFANTRY BRIGADE, RECEIVED SOMALI PEACE MISSION ARRIVING FROM TANZANIA SIDE OF
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BORDER TO JOIN THEIR VICE- PRESIDENT ALREADY IN KAMPALA.
PRESS REPORTS ON THESE ACTIVITIES WERE FILLED WITH THE NOW
STANDARD HARANGUES AGAINST NYERERE AND OBOTE.

3. COMMENT: THIS HAS BEEN A FAIRLY TYPICAL SERIES OF WILD
GYRATIONS BY GENERAL AMIN, GOING FROM IMMINENT INVASION BY
3500 TROOPS TO QTE EVERYTHING IS PEACEFUL AND CALM UNQTE.
THE SITUATION AT THE BORDER, UNLIKE THE GENERAL, DOES SEEM TO
BE UNDER CONTROL.
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